

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Gladys Lillian Sorenson Flamo was born on September 6, 1919, to Jens and Linda Sorenson at Dell Rapids, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Gladys married Welford DeVaney on November 19, 1943, and to this union two daughters were born, Linda and Marla, who in turn blessed their parents lives with two grandsons, Paul and Joseph, and seven great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Gladys is dedicated to serving her church and continues to be active in ABW, sewing group, and church council; and,

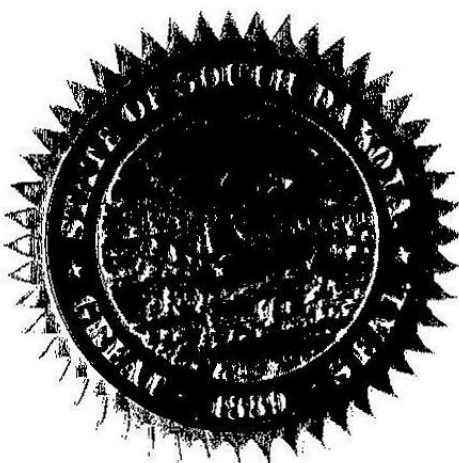
Whereas, Gladys has spent many enjoyable years creating decorated cakes, quilts, afghans, Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls, and doilies; and,

Whereas, Gladys will observe her 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 6, 2009, as

GLADYS DEVANEY DAY


in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-sixth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State